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See the art, meet the students

By Erin Lynch

A flurry of activity is happening in the studios of Fleming College. Students are busy preparing for I Made It! the end of semester art exhibition hosted by current students in full-time diploma and certificate programs at the Haliburton School of Art and Design. This one-day show will take place on Saturday, April 23, between 10 a.m. and 3 p.m.

I Made It! provides an opportunity for emerging artists to gain exhibition experience and showcase their many talents. The student-based initiative will feature a variety of media from winter semester students including glassblowing, artist blacksmithing, jewelry and integrated design. Artists will be available to discuss their works and answer questions. Select works will be available for purchase. The exhibition is free of charge and open to all. Join inspiring students for light refreshments as well as the opportunity to explore the unique and stimulating space that is the Haliburton School of Art and Design.

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Slither and hop into spring

The secretive world of reptiles and amphibians is poised to come to life this week

A few reptiles and amphibians have already been spotted in Haliburton this spring. But with the warmer weather, this week will rouse scores more. On a leisurely shoreline stroll you may spot a midland painted turtle or a wood frog. If you turn over a log, you may find a red-spotted newt or a blue-spotted salamander.

The onset of spring is an exciting time of year for outdoor enthusiasts as the veil of winter's slumber is lifted from our wetlands, forests and meadows. The awakening of reptiles and amphibians is happening right at our feet.

"Spring is one of my favourite times of year and is distinctively marked by the unique calls of different species of frogs and toads. The early season calls of wood and chorus frogs as well as spring peepers bring the night alive with sound," says Emma Horrigan, Ontario Nature's citizen science co-ordinator.

Sadly though, reptiles and amphibians are experiencing global declines of 20 and 40 per cent respectively. In Ontario, 75 per cent of reptiles and 22 per cent of amphibians are listed as at-risk provincially. These turtles, snakes, lizards, salamanders, frogs and toads have unique, specialized and fascinating life histories. But they suffer terribly from habitat loss and fragmentation, road mortality, persecution and pollution.

You can help by enlisting as a citizen scientist for the Ontario Reptile and Amphibian Atlas (www.ontarionature.org/protect/species/herpetofaunal_atlas.php), which has been led by Ontario Nature since 2009. The data submitted by people of all skill levels is used to map the whereabouts of some of the province's most enigmatic creatures. Ontario Nature's spring is to fill in key data gaps where there are no recent sightings. While you're enjoying the nice weather this week, keep an eye out for reptiles and amphibians. They have fascinating traits and adaptations, and you can help their plight simply by reporting your sightings.

Ontario Nature protects wild species and wild spaces through conservation, education and public engagement. Ontario Nature is a charitable organization representing more than 30,000 members and supporters, and 150 member groups across Ontario. For more information, visit ontarionature.org.

Blue-spotted Salamander. Photo by Amelia Argue courtesy of Ontario Nature.

Painted turtle. Photo by Judy M Tomlinson courtesy of Ontario Nature.

Sauble Dunes Nature Reserve Red eft. Photo by Noah Cole, courtesy of Ontario Nature.

Correction

The wrong ad ran in the April 14 issue of County Life for the Haliburton Concert Series.
It read Richard and Lauren Margison, Michele Jacot, and Sheng Cai.
It should have been Guy Few & Mark Fewer, Michele Jacot, and Sheng Cai.
We apologize for any inconvenience that this has caused.

CountyLife

Getting your facts straight

Erin's Editions

Erin Kernohan-Berning
Branch Services Librarian

Never in the history of humankind has so much information been readily available. Sadly, this also means that never in the history of humankind has so much inaccurate information been readily available.

When I say this, you know I am talking about the Internet. While the Internet has brought us, as a society, the ability to instantly access information, it has also brought the ability for anyone to create information. This ability to instantly create and disseminate information isn't all bad, but it is a double-edged sword. Consequently, cultivating critical thinking skills has never been more important than it is today.

To be clear, I love the Internet. Having been a nerd before nerds were cool, I found my people there along with all manner of geeky stuff that no one else wanted to talk about with me at the time. But, like any place physical or virtual, it pays to be smart about your travels and to know that not all sources of information are trustworthy.

For example, who among us hasn't paged Dr. Google? I'll admit to this – and whether an infected hangnail or sore knee Dr. Google usually at some point tells me whatever is ailing me is probably going to kill me. Not helpful, Dr. Google, not helpful. So why even look online for this information?

Well, there are a number of reasons – researching health online is immediate and when you are up at 2 a.m. with a mysterious ache or pain you probably want that information right now. Also, researching health information online is anonymous. Some health challenges are intensely personal, and bringing a library book about that challenge up to the checkout desk – even though our staff are committed to protecting your privacy – can be daunting.

There is good health information online, the difficult part is sifting what is reliable from what is not. Online health information from accredited health-care institutions such as the Mayo Clinic, John Hopkins, and Sunnybrook Hospital, to name a few, is usually very reliable. As is health information from your local health unit and Health Canada, as well as information available through academic resources such as PubMed. However, there are some popular sources out there that require a critical eye because they rely on user generated content that anyone, expert or not, can contribute to.

Finally, there are downright deceiving resources – the online equivalent of selling snake-oil – that masquerade as legitimate health and wellness news sites, but provide advice that is inaccurate at best and harmful at worse.

So how do you avoid getting bad health advice online? Well, considering your sources is the first start. Is the source reliable? Is the author an expert? Is the information current?

Also, rather than searching Google, you might want to try some of the databases available on our website. Go to haliburtonlibrary.ca and click on "Online Research" in the Quick Links on the right.

There, under Health and Wellness, we have Consumer Health Complete and Teen Health and Wellness. Both of these databases have information that has been vetted by professionals and written for you. They cover topics such as mental health, chronic conditions, prescription drugs, sexuality, and nutrition.

As well, they are available from the privacy of your home computer – all you need is an Internet connection to access them via the link on our website.

Critically evaluating what you read isn't just limited to online health information. All information – whether in books, peer-reviewed articles, online resources, or blogs – needs to be considered for tone, bias, purpose, accuracy and appropriateness for your situation.

It does pay, however, to start out on the right foot by visiting sources that you know you can trust, as well as verifying that information using multiple resources.

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Haliburton County is blessed to have many fine musicians. I am not one of them. This is something I quickly realized after my cat attacked me while I was learning how to play the harmonica.

Some people don't get the hint as easily, however.

For those who are unsure of their musical ability, here are 10 clues that might suggest you should give up.

1. When the minister says hymns are over-rated, whenever you are there.
2. When someone asks you not to join in singing the national anthem, out of respect for the country.
3. When whatever instrument you are learning is never where you left it. Pay particular attention to this, if you are learning the grand piano.
4. When the only request you ever get is "The Sound of Silence."
5. When a director says it would be better if you speak your part – and you're in a musical.
6. When someone puts an "Out of Order" sign on the karaoke machine every time you walk towards it.
7. When the county by-law officer hands you a ticket for noise pollution – while you are singing in the shower.
8. When people ask you to join a Who cover band just so they can see you destroy your guitar.
9. When people throw change in your trumpet case, but only when you put the trumpet back in it.
10. When people encourage you to practice your electric guitar in the hot tub.

Concert brings Africa to the Highlands

By Darren Lum

West Africa is coming to Haliburton later this month through the words, the rhythmic steps and evocative songs from bilingual entertainer Fana Soro.

Soro will share the culture of his Senoufo tribe from the French speaking northern Ivory Coast.

He spent nine years as a principal dancer with the Ballet National de Cote d'Ivoire before he started as a touring performer. He is an accomplished balafon – West African wooden xylophone – player and performs traditional West African dance.

Soro will be performing in French and English during a by-donation public concert at 6:30 p.m. on Tuesday, April 26 at the Northern Lights Performing Arts Pavilion in Haliburton.

Organized by the Canadian Parents for French (CPF), this family-friendly concert shows how French is a global language its chairperson Nancy Ballantyne said.

She adds this showcase of Soro's talents will provide a new perspective for this community.

"It helps with the cultural development of kids and also to know the more languages you know, the more opportunities you have to do different things. It's not just English performers [out there]," she said. "Also, that music is universal so language doesn't necessarily have to be a barrier and it can be an asset if you know more about the culture. You get more out of music once you know the background."

Organizers recommend people get their tickets with a donation for the performance before the concert. Proceeds from donations will go to augmenting the cost of French activities for all county students. Get tickets in Haliburton at Cranberry Cottage and J. Douglas Hodgson Elementary School, and in Minden get them at Pharmasave or at Archie Stouffer Elementary School.

The idea to bring Soro came from positive feedback from students and teachers who were impressed by his performance when they attended the weeklong overnight Trillium Lakelands Art Camp held last spring at Camp White Pine.

Local student Maya Meraw described him as "energetic and entertaining."

"He is also very engaging. I believe he reinforces the idea that learning French isn't just for the classroom, it can cross borders and is a skill for the real world," she wrote in an email.

There will be a CPF baked goods fundraiser with proceeds going towards a Quebec trip in June for local high school students. Local accommodator, Heather Lodge, is donating two nights of accommodation and breakfast to the performer for this effort, which helps to offset the cost.

This concert is sponsored by Canadian Parents for French (Haliburton chapter) and the Haliburton Highlands Secondary School, which booked the theatre.

While here Soro is also holding concerts for students in Minden at Archie Stouffer Elementary School and in Haliburton at the J. Douglas Hodgson Elementary School, including workshops with students at HHSS.

CPF is a group of community members and parents who work to enhance French language experiences for all students in Haliburton County.

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The City of Kawartha Lakes announced the opening of its newly relocated Social Services Office in Haliburton last week.

The centre is located at 49 Maple Avenue, Unit 8 in Haliburton and will be open Monday to Friday from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

The office was formerly located in the County of Haliburton administrative offices.

"Being in Haliburton Village provides a much more central location for clients across Haliburton County who rely on our services," explains social services manager Janine Mitchell. "We are excited about the opportunity to provide our services from this new location."

The centre will provide: Ontario Works, Children's Services and Housing Help Services.

Residents can contact the Social Services Centre by calling 705-457-4571 or toll free at 1-877-324-9870, or sending an email tocklsocialservices@city.kawarthalakes.on.ca.

Wind Symphony performs Sunday, April 24

Glen Carter conducts members of the Highlands Wind Symphony during a practice in the J.D. Hodgson Elementary School music room. The symphony will be performing their annual spring concert on Sunday, April 24 at 3 p.m. at the Northern Lights Performing Arts Pavilion. Songs fall under the theme of An Afternoon At The Movies. Special guests will be the Highlands Swing Band and the Haliburton Highlands Youth Ensemble. Tickets are $10 for adults or $25 for families and can be purchased at Master's Book Store in Haliburton or Pharmasave in Minden. For more information, call Andy Salvatori at 705-457-2100. JENN WATT Staff

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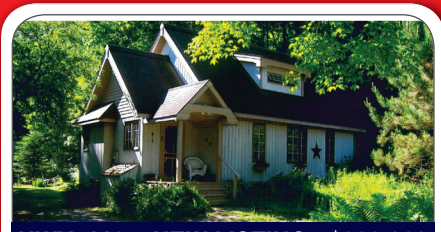

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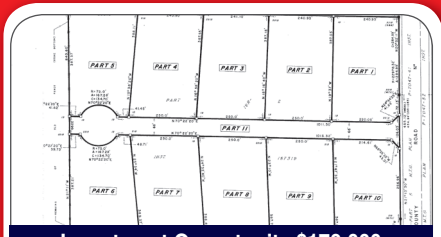

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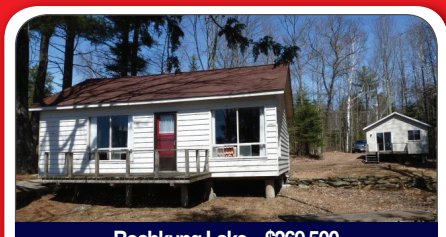

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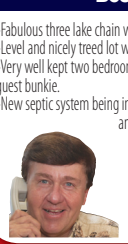

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We had it all in Key Largo

Linda Coneybeare
Travel Plus

I want to tell you about my March trip to Key Largo, Florida. What a lovely area of a state usually associated with theme parks and the beaches of Fort Lauderdale, Miami and the Tampa/Fort Myers area.

I flew into Fort Lauderdale Airport: a great airport, not so confusing as Miami or Orlando. What made my arrival extra special was that waiting for me was my son Patrick, his wife Jashelle and my two (so far) grandchildren, Frost and Rowdy. Usually when I arrive from a flight it is to begin a new adventure in a new country, or to get my car and drive home from Toronto. It sure was wonderful to have four smiling faces waiting for me.

We set off for Key Largo about a 90-minute drive away, where we stayed six nights at the Ocean Point Resort in Tavernier (just south of Key Largo) – the two bedroom/two bath condo was prepaid in Canadian dollars through Transat Holidays Florida department, and I flew nonstop Toronto to Fort Lauderdale with Air Transat.

We were elated to have an east facing gulf view unit, so we enjoying the morning sun coming up over the Gulf of Mexico. The resort beach was perfect, even supplying beach toys and boogie boards for the kids.

We sure packed in a lot of touring, as well as beach time, during our time together. Top of our list was to visit Key West for a day we headed straight down Hwy 1, crossing the Seven Mile Bridge. We knew we were getting close when the GPS system started showing a large shape on the corner of the screen-that was Cuba. Havana is only 90 miles from Key West.

Key West is beautiful: quaint little homes painted in all colours of the rainbow, interesting shops and restaurants, but not the place for a three- and five-year-old on a busy day with high humidity and a temp of 32˚c. We enjoyed a lunch on the beach boardwalk (in the shade). Afterwards we toured a Coast Guard Cutter Museum moored at the Navy pier then time for the drive back. What a feat of engineering the Seven Mile Bridge is surrounded by tropical blue waters on both sides it was such a beautiful drive.

Patrick indulged his mother by taking me to two places in Key Largo that I really wanted to see. My children had grown up watching my favourite old movies so I didn't have to explain to him who Humphrey Bogart was, and so off we went to see the African Queen! Yes, the old boat (built in 1912 in Africa) had found its final resting place in Key Largo. The present owner thought he would take advantage of the publicity Key Largo had received when Humphrey Bogart and his wife (the wonderful Lauren Bacall) filmed the movie *Key Largo*. Humphrey Bogart won the Academy award for Best Actor for 1951 playing the character Charlie Allnut in the movie *The African Queen*. The old rust-covered ship sure had seen better days, but it was great to see it as well as the site of the original fishing lodge where the 1948s movie *Key Largo* was filmed with Bogart and Bacall.

Gulf of Mexico: the resort's beach was perfect and the resort provided boogie boards for the kids.

We also went to Everglades National Park and rode a fast moving airboat through the everglades seeing alligators, birds and the occasional snake.

For sure one of the two most enjoyable activities for my grandchildren was the morning spent at the Dolphin Research Centre, not an amusement park but an actual rescue and recovery centre for these clever mammals. Their other fun event was just beach time, lots of it. I tried to teach my granddaughter to float, as my own grandmother had taught me in Halls Lake (not quite as warm as the Gulf of Mexico) but with no success, maybe next time. The last time I had been swimming was in the Dead Sea in Jordan last November, the Gulf of Mexico not quite as salty.

I couldn't leave without trying the specialty dessert of Key Largo: Key Lime Pie. There are only four ingredients: eggs, sugar, sweetened condensed milk and key lime juice. And it sure becomes a great pie! Patrick and I enjoyed a slice at Mrs. Mac's Kitchen, a local restaurant in Key Largo.

It was such a wonderful week with my family. I hope we can do it again and like that one hit wonder song "Key Largo" said so well: "we had it all, like Bogie and Bacall, in Key Largo."

Spring is finally here! Hurray! In my next column I will tell you of the trip I have just returned from. I spent a week on AMA Waterways sailing the rivers and lakes of Holland and Belgium in early April. The flowers were blooming, the chocolate and waffles very yummy and the small cities along the route so beautiful until then , enjoy spring!

I won't be travelling for the next few months other things to look forward to: my daughter, Chloe Choi graduating with her MA degree and expecting a baby just in time for the May 24 weekend and Patrick and Jashelle another beautiful baby due in June. I will double the number of my grandchildren by the end of spring. That's wonderful!

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Spring show promises smiles and laughter

By Darren Lum

After an extended winter season, the Loop Troupe is welcoming people of all ages to laugh their way into spring with its latest theatrical production this weekend at the Lloyd Watson Memorial Centre in Wilberforce.

Loop Troupe's communication organizer and Highlands East Councillor Joan Barton invites people to enjoy the family-friendly one-act play *Who Murdered Who* that will have you laughing and give the opportunity to reunite with people you might not have seen all winter.

"People love it. It's important because they always deliver something to us in the early spring like around now when you just feel absolutely sick of life and totally embittered about Haliburton [County] and everything," she said, referring to the weather. "It's one of the first opportunities in the Wilberforce area for people to come out of their cocoons and force their way down their driveways and get together in the Lloyd Watson Centre. It's always sort of a combination of good theatre and 'hello, how are you, I'm awfully glad you made it through the winter.'"

With shows on Friday and then Saturday at 7:30 p.m., the troupe is staging the one-act comedy that is set in a fancy country house in the U.S., on the east coast. This play revolves around the massive confusion of whether or not somebody will be murdered and who will commit the murder.

She describes this play as "a classic old-fashioned farce."

Admission for these two shows is $10 for adults and is free for children and students.

Organizers ask people to come early, as there will be free refreshments before the show and after. Doors open at 6:45 p.m.

The Troupe will also host a free dress rehearsal this Thursday at 7 p.m. at the Lloyd Watson Centre.

Barton has been involved with helping or performing for the Loop Troupe off and on for the past 10 years.

Unlike recent shows, this performance is solely benefiting and being staged by the troupe.

"It's going to be the first one in ages that they have not done in aid of anybody else," she said.

In its 20-plus years the Loop Troupe has never needed to ask for money from anyone, she said, at least in the time she has served on council.

This show includes four new cast members in the eight-member cast show and some long-term members the public will recognize such as the dynamic and animated Steve Kauffeldt, who plays a detective.

Directed by Hilda Clark and assisted by Dan Linkert with lighting, the show's cast also includes Steven and Julie Thornton, Brenda Boomhouer and Yvonne Morello. The new members for this show are Peter Boyer, Sherry Davis and Nancy Bird, said Kauffeldt.

Wildlife fundraiser successful

Seats were hard to come by at the Minden Legion on April 9 during a fundraiser for the Woodlands Wildlife Sanctuary. The evening, which included live music and raffles, raised more than $4,000 for the facility. CHAD INGRAM Staff

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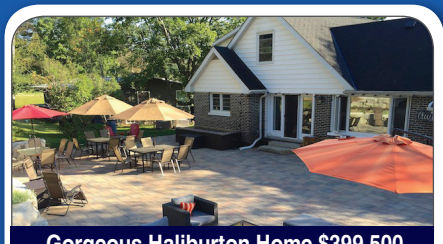

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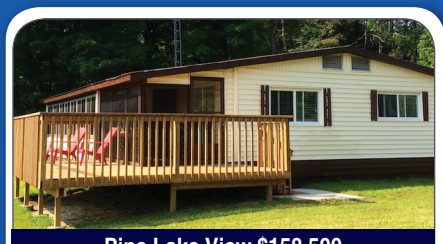

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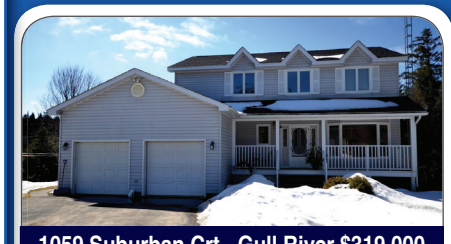

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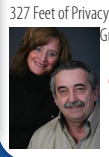

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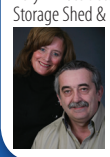

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Early bird draw coming up

Photo submitted

Local artist Lynn Roberge of Mixed Media Arts holds up the butterfly garden ornament she has donated to the early bird draw for Release of the Butterflies. The names of those who donate to the fundraiser for the bereavement program run by SIRCH before May 15 will be entered to win one of several prizes including this garden ornament. Other prizes include four tickets to the Butterfly Conservatory at Science North in Sudbury as well as an overnight stay at the Quality Inn in Sudbury donated by Richard Wannan at Bank of Montreal; and a garden centre package from Canadian Tire. The early bird draw is taking place May 18.

For every $30 donated, one butterfly will be secured for the Release of the Butterflies event in Minden. $100 secures four butterflies.

Release of the Butterflies takes place June 12 with registration starting at noon. Butterflies will be released around 1:30 p.m. There will be activities for children and there is a lunch available to purchase.

The band Fifth Business will serenade the audience and there will be inspirational readings and songs from special guests. All of the money raised goes directly to the bereavement program.

On arriving early

By Barbara Rosen

Up to now, I've always thought arriving early to be one of my strengths. Up to now, I've always been an early bird arriving early for appointments, for dinner engagements, theatrical performances even for sunrise. I'm usually up before the crack of dawn. And to my credit I have many firsts: first to enter the bank, the library and once I was even the first morning caller to get the special front row $10 seats for my students to see the National Ballet of Canada's *Nutcracker*. The recent passing of my mother has allowed me to reflect and examine this pattern.

"Mom's gone!" called my brother one Sunday at noon.

"What happened? I'm shocked. She appeared in perfect health even though she was 93."

"I know. When I came to pick her up and take her out for brunch she wasn't waiting outside for me as usual. So I knew. I just knew."

"You know how she was always arriving early for everything her whole life?"

"Yeah?"

"Well here's my take. She just arrived early for her death."

"Hmm….You could have something there."

With my practices of meditation and yoga, I have come to awareness about my arriving early pattern, that it will always be challenging for me to change it; and I have come to understand that it is just as challenging for another to change her pattern of tardiness, the flip side of the coin; I have come to understand more about boundaries, more about compassion, more about the right to choose.

Motherhood Yoga, meditation and writing practice takes place Sunday, May 8 at Blue Sky Yoga in Haliburton from 10 a.m. to noon by donation. barb_ba47@hotmail.com.

County Classifieds

classifieds@haliburtonpress.com Deadline Friday at 4 pm.

140 VOLUNTEERS

Volunteers Wanted: Thrift Warehouse a social enterprise of SIRCH Community Services is looking for volunteers to help with testing sorting repairs cleaning and displays. Join our team meet great people have fun! Email ***info@sirch.on.ca*** for a volunteer application or drop by the **Thrift Warehouse.**

390 EMPLOYMENT WANTED

Available for lawn cutting and chain saw work in the Haliburton area. Has own equipment. Phone 705-448-1935

400 EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY

Florist required for part time or full time seasonal position. Garden centre position also available. Must enjoy customer service and have a valid driver's license. Apply with resume in person or by email to: **COUNTRY ROSE GARDEN CENTRE** 5175 County Rd. 21 Haliburton ***countryrose@bellnet.ca***

200 FOR SALE

Oak Double Pedestal table with 4 leaves. Could seat up to 12 and 8 press back oak chairs. Like new. $2000.00 Joanne 705-448-9029

Treadmill EVOLVE COMPACT. Low hours $200.00 o.b.o. vanEE Heat Recovery Ventilator. Like new with venting pipes for 45 foot bungalow $200.00. 14 foot Aluminum boat & older 9.9 hp Johnson no trailer $1200.00. Call 705-457-3694.

380 HOUSE FOR SALE

1/3 acre flat Lakefront property. Three bedrooms with unfinished basement. Double pane vinyl windows. Well or lake drawn water. West Guilford. $259,000.00 416-570-5667

400 EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY

Summer staff needed for Thrift Warehouse. Must be a quick learner who is in good physical condition able to lift heavy items has exceptional customer service skills and a positive attitude. Email resume to ***info@sirch.on.ca*** or drop it by Thrift Warehouse in Industrial Park Haliburton.

220 FIREWOOD FOR SALE

Cut and Split Firewood for indoor and outdoor wood stoves. Delivered to Minden and surrounding areas. Get ahead of the winter!! Slabs for campfire available too. We also cut lumber. Please contact Alex at 705 854-0280

240 MARINE

2002 Larson 180 SEI with Monster Tower. 3.0 Mercury Inboard Engine. Bravo Outdrive. Low Hours Well Maintained. Trailer and Custom Cover included. $12,500 Call 416-996-6105

400 EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY

Experienced line cook and waitress required for Maple Avenue Tap & Grill Call Andy: 705-306-0964

Personal Attendant: Evenings Weekends Fill-ins. Assist physically disabled with daily care. Responsible, honest and eager to learn. No experience required. Paid training period. Contact: Rob 705-286-1584

300 FOR RENT

Furnished Apartment for rent. 1 bedroom in town, private entrance, bath, AC, Cable, highspeed internet, all utilities included. Suits business professional only. Non-smoker, No pets, $750/month. 705-457-1513

360 LAND FOR SALE

30+ ACRES FOR SALE Driveway in, lot cleared, lot lines marked, nice pond on property, trails throughout, good hunting, ATVing, close to swimming at Clear Lake. Please phone 705-286-0932 Asking $69,900

460 SERVICES

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- *Vista Pruning*
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- *Yard Maintenance*
- *Grass Cutting*
- *Spring/Fall Clean-up*
- *Junk Removal*

Call Ken Today 705 854-1220

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Our summer reporter is looking for an affordable apartment to rent for June, July and August. Bachelor or one-bedroom place preferred.

Do you have a spot that might work?

Give the Echo a call at 705-457-1037 or email ***jenn@haliburtonpress.com*** and we will connect you.

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UPCOMING

Community Events

PARISH
HOME INSPECTIONS

See more events in our Winter Guide, available on newsstands across the Haliburton Highlands.

Want to get your event in Community Calendar? It's free! Contact Pat at classifieds@haliburtonpress.com.

Dated Events

HALIBURTON: Food Handler Course
When: Thursday, April 21, 9 am to 5 pm
Where: Health Unit office (191 Highland St., Unit 301) in Haliburton.
This course teaches participants how to handle and prepare food safely. Upon successful completion, participants receive a certificate (valid for a period of five years) indicating they are registered as a certified food handler. Cost is $40 per person. For more information and to confirm space availability, call the Health Unit at (705) 457-1391.

The CANADIAN FEDERATION OF UNIVERSITY WOMEN (CFUW) is having a speaker this monthl
WHO: Kim Emmerson, Author
TOPIC: Alexander Niven, Biography of an Early Haliburton County Surveyor
Kim's latest book, launched in the summer of 2015, is about Alexander Niven, a surveyor originally from England. His writing takes us to the heart of newly settled Upper Canada and the beginnings of Haliburton County in the late 1800's. Kim tells the story of Alexander Niven and his contemporaries who formed and shaped the early settlement into the beautiful area we know today.
WHEN: Thursday April 21, 2016, 7-8pm. Afterward, there will be light refreshments and an opportunity to mingle with the speaker (CFUW business meeting 8:30-9)
WHERE: Fleming College, Great Hall
COST: FREE (donations to the CFUW Haliburton Highlands Scholarship Fund would however, be welcome)

The Loop Troupe presents "Who Murdered Who"
A comedy-mystery one-act play
When: Friday April 22, Doors open at 6:45pm, play starts at 7:30
Admission: $10 for adults, free for children and students, and free refreshments before and after the show.
Dress rehearsal on Thursday, April 21 at 7pm, audience welcome free of charge.

Abbey Gardens Presents. . . Full Moon Series, Sound Bath Concert
When: Friday April 22, 7:30 pm-8:30 pm
Where Abbey Gardens
With Brahn of Yoga North (bring a relaxing chair or yoga mat)
Participation by Donation. Suggested Donations is $10.00
Register today. On-line at www.abbeygardens.ca or call 705-754-4769
Spaces Limited!

Haliburton County Historical Society, Upcoming Event
When: April 25, 7:00 pm
Where: Wilberforce Curling Club
Topic: Geocashing, What is it? How do you play?
Speakers: Mary Barker and Joanne Vanier
Bring a Flashlight with you

A bilingual conert presented by Fana Soro - a bilingual entertainer from West Africa
When: Tuesday April 26, 2016, 6:30 pm
Where: Northern Lights Pavillion
Cost: by donation, all proceeds to augment French activities for all students
Tickets: available on a first come, first serve basis, so pick up the tickets rior to the event at
Cranberry Cottage in Haliburton, Pharmasave (Minden), JDH, Archie Stouffer
Refreshments: Bake sale, with all proceeds going to the High School Quebec trip, the 2 night accommodation and breakfast for the performer.
Fana Soro is a hereditary master musician of the Senoufo pleople and his performance share the soaring melodies, driving rhytms and spirited dances of ancient West Africa performing arts.
This concert is sponsored by Canadian Parents for French (Haliburton Chapter) and Trillium Lakelands Secondary School

HALIBURTON: Sexual Health Clinic
When: Wednesday, April 27, 10:30 am to Noon.
The clinic provides clients with confidential access to cervical screening, low-cost birth control, pregnancy testing and sexual health teaching. Testing and treatment of sexually transmitted infections are also provided. For more information, locations or to make an appointment, call the Health Unit at 1-866-888-4577, ext. 1205.

Annual Kinmount Committe Planning Economic Development Dinner/Auction
When: Saturday, April 30th , Doors open 5:00 pm, Roast Beef Dinner 6:30 pm
Where: Galway Hall, Galway Road
Live Auction, Silent Auction, Raffle Table
Tickets: $25.00 per person
Contact: Diane Austin, 705 488-2635

Haliburton Highlands Women's Golf League
Icebreaker Tee social night
When: May 6th, 7:00 pm
Where: Haliburton Curling club
Come, enjoy and register your membership. All level players welcome.
For more info visit our website at www.hhwgl.ca or call Lynne Brady 705-887-4230 or 705-340-0625

Nature in the Hood 2016 - Wild Leeks, Wild Edibles
When: Saturday, May 7, 10:00 am - 12:00 pm
Where: Abbey Gardens, 1012 Garden Gate Dr. Haliburton (off Hwy 118 West of Haliburton)
Cost: $5.00 per person, includes soup
Leader: Carolyn Langdon, Windfall Food Forest, forager and food forester
Explore the woods at Abbey Gardens and forage for wild edibles with food forester and wild
epicurean Carolyn Langdon
For more information or to register contact the Haliburton Highlands Land Trust, 705-457-3700, www.haliburtonlandtrust.ca

Recurring Events

MINDEN: Healthy Beginnings - Prenatal Class,
Begins Monday, April 4, 6-8 pm, Ontario Early Years Centre (144 Bobcaygeon Rd.) in Minden. Join this free class offered by the Health Unit to help expectant parents prepare for baby's arrival. Continues on April 11, 18, 25 and May 2. To register, call the Health Unit at (705) 457-1391 or toll-free at 1-866-888-4577.

Afterschool Program
Children in grades 5 to 8 are invited to HAVEN, an after school program at Archie Stouffer School run on Thursdays. The program is offered by Monarch Bible Camp and Youth Unlimited and includes games, snacks, Christian learning and community service. Students can pick up a registration form from the school office. Supervisors meet students outside the office and run program in the music room. Information: teresa@youthunlimitedkaw.com or 705-887-3625

Youth Program
Minden has a Youth Program!! Students in grades 8 and up are invited to supper and program every Thursday night from 5:45 to 8:00 pm.
EVERYONE WELCOME! Explore faith, learn new skills, enjoy hanging out with other youth. Program run by Monarch Bible Camp and Youth Unlimited.
Where: Minden Bible Church-Bobcaygeon Road
Information: teresa@youthunlimitedkaw.com or 705-887-3625

IncrEdible Haliburton County Farmers' Market.
Shop for fresh produce, preserves, baked goods, local meat, prepared foods, bread, cheese, wine and hand-made items from local artisans. Our numerous vendors provide lots of variety. Now at three locations on three different days:
Haliburton at Head Lake Park, Tuesdays from noon until 4:00 pm (May 17 - October 4).
Carnarvon at Hwys 118 and 35, Fridays from noon until 4:00 pm (June 17 - October 7).
Minden Saturdays in the municipal parking lot 10:00 am until 2:00 pm (June 18 - Oct. 8).
For more information go to haliburtoncountyfarmersmarket.wordpress.com
named one of the top five farmers' markets in cottage country by Cottage Life Magazine

Cancer Support Group,
Open to anyone who has been diagnosed with or survived cancer. We meet the 3rd Tuesday of every month in the Ruth Parkes Room at the Haliburton Hospital from 1 pm to 3 pm. Please contact Lynn Higgs Thompson 705-457-2941 for more information.

Al-anon Minden
When; Monday evenings at 8 p.m.
Where: Hyland Crest (north entrance, follow signs inside building), 6 MacPherson, Minden
Details: For relatives and friends of problem drinkers. For more information call 1-888-425-2666

The VON SMART exercise program for balance, strength and flexibility.
When: Minden, Tuesday's at 11 at the Hyland Crest Auditorium, Haliburton, Thursdays at 1pm at EchoHills.
Please contact Judy Webb@ 705-286-5098 or Carol Browne @ 705-457-4551 for more information.

Kitchen Party Music Jams
When: Every Saturday From 1:00 pm to 4:00 pm (continuous event)
Where: Dominion Hotel Pub, 113 Main Street, Minden, ON
Details: Musicians are welcome to come out to play and Fans are welcome to come out and enjoy the music at the free Jam Sessions every Saturday afternoon - 1st Saturday Folk/Celtic Music, 2nd & 5th Saturdays Mixed Acoustic Music, 3rd Saturday Country Music & 4th Saturday Bluegrass Music.
Contact: Gerry Mitchell at (705)799-5008 or by email at kitchenpartymusicjams@hotmail.com

Toastmaster Minden
When: 1st and 3rd Tuesday of each month. 12 noon to 1:00 pm (winter meetings times)
Where: OPP conference room, 12598 Hwy. 35 (across from Tim Hortons)
The fee has been reduced
Anyone, who is 18 to 80 years of age can attend.
First three meetings are FREE

Haliburton Highlands Quilt Guild
When: Second Wednesday of every month, at 1-4 pm
Where: Stanhope Community Centre, 1095 North Shore Rd., Algonquin Highlands
Details: Meeting often preceded by working on a project at 10 am.
Contact: Pat Campbell at (705) 457-1211 or patcampbell@live.ca

Legion Events

Branch 624, Wilberforce
Jan Simon PRO April 22nd – April 28th

Friday Community Care 55+ lunch 12:00pm
Please call Gwen Otto to reserve
705-448-2106 Everyone 55+ welcome
Pool 1:30pm
Jam Session

Saturday Meat Draw 2pm Early Bird 3pm Sharp

Monday Bid Euchre 7:00pm come out and learn – beginners welcome

Wednesday Fun Darts 7:30pm

Branch 129, Haliburton
Dave Allen, PRO 705-457-2571

Mondays: Bridge every Monday at 1pm

Tuesdays: Tuesday Night Dart League starting at 7pm

Wednesdays: Bid Euchre 1pm start
Bingo Doors open at 6pm, Bingo starts at 7pm - $500 Jackpot, **$1000 Jackpot** last Wednesday of the month.

Thursday: General Meeting Second Thursday of the month starting at 7:30 pm All members urged to attend
Ladies Auxiliary Last Thursday of the month at 1pm

Fridays: Cribbage 1 pm start
Meat Draw Five Draws, Five Prizes each draw, First draw at 4:30 pm, Last draw at 6:30 pm, Tickets are $2 per draw…Chester Howse, MC
Fun darts - 4:30 pm onwards

Saturdays: 50/50 Draw 4 pm draw, Tickets are 1$ each from noon onwards

Sundays: Breakfast Second and fourth Sunday of the month - 9:30 am - 1 pm $6 per person. Occasional volunteers are needed.

Upcoming Events: RCL Haliburton Branch 129 Annual General Meeting/Election of Officers and Executive on **Thursday, May 12th at 7:30pm.** All Legion members encouraged to attend and membership cards are required in order to vote.
Whether you're planning a function for 10 or 200, for more information call the Legion today at (705)457-2571. Come on out and support Haliburton Legion Branch 129... everyone is welcome!

Branch 636, Minden 705-286-4541
Ladies Darts, Wednesday, 1-4 p.m. No Ladies Darts Dec and January
Euchre, Thursday, 7 p.m.
Fish/Wings & Chips, Friday, 12-2 p.m. and 5-7 p.m.
Mixed darts, Friday 7:30 p.m.
Big euchre, first Sunday of the month (except holidays), noon, $12
Sports Fan Day, Sunday, 12-4 p.m.
Lunch menu, Monday – Friday, 12-2 p.m.
Liver lover's special, Tuesday 12-2 p.m. (full menu also)
Meat Draw, Wednesday lunch time. Dec 16, special Christmas meat draws.
Thursday take-out meals, pick-up after 6 p.m. Call between 2-6 p.m. for menu and placing your order. The cook will prepare only the number of orders placed before 6 p.m.

Branch 441 Kinmount
PRO Raquel Linton 705-488-3191

Mondays: Seniors cards, pot luck lunch 1230 followed by Bid Euchre
Family Fun Bingo 630pm Children & Adult fun and All welcome!

Wednesday: Summer Drop In Darts

Fridays: Bingo 6:45 all welcome $300 Must Go Jackpot

Saturdays: 5pm Meat Draw

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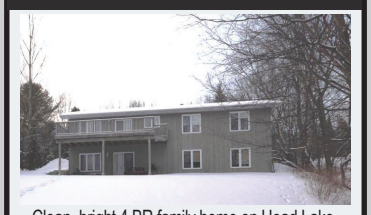
HALIBURTON LAKEFRONT HOME



Clean, bright 4 BR family home on Head Lake, walk to town. Spacious open concept, finished bsmt, 2car garage, sand beach & 5 lake chain enjoyment.

$479,500

HORSESHOE LAKE

Bright, clean cottage. Level lot, lg deck/dock at clean shoreline.
3 Bdrm, lg sunrm. Finished bsmt w/2 recrooms, brick fp. Well kept! Turnkey!

$475,000

WE KNOW HALIBURTON

MOOSE LAKE

Fantastic location for the winter & summer cottager! Ski hill minutes away.
Roomy 2 storey/3 bdrm on level lot. Sand shoreline, dock, screen porch.

$456,000

BRADY LAKE

Completely renovated & upgraded home or cottage. Level landscaped lot. 390' frtg.2 propane fp's, Det garage/bunkie. Pride of ownership here!

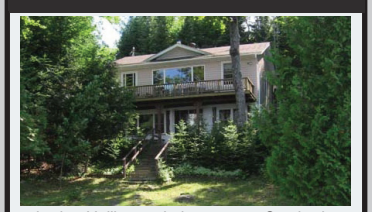
$437,500

DRAG LAKE COTTAGE

Traditional 3 Bedrm/4pc bath cottage with upgrades. Beautiful level lot
& sand shoreline. Drilled well, yr rnd rd - all your wants & needs!

$429,000

MILLION DOLLAR VIEWS!



5 bedrm Haliburton Lake cottage. Gently sloping lot, shallow entry beach.
Turn key vacation property including furniture, boats & more.

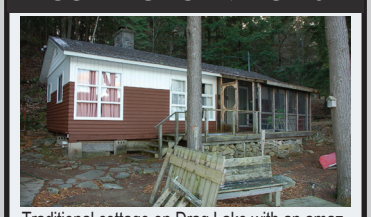
$396,000

CANNING LAKE

Private, spacious 4 ac lot with 310' frtg on 5 lake chain.
Log cottage has character, stone fp, open concept loft, bunkie, sauna.

$386,000

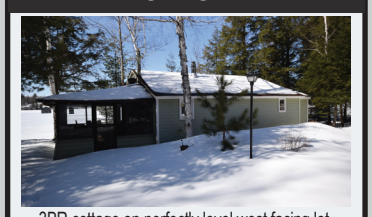
COTTAGE ON 9 ACRES



Traditional cottage on Drag Lake with an amazing 500 ft frtg. Water's edge location. Open living/dining area with woodstove, 4 BR, screen porch.

$349,000

HALIBURTON LAKE



3BR cottage on perfectly level west facing lot, close to water's edge. Spacious screen porch for sunset enjoyment. Walking distance to park, waiting for the right family.

$319,000

MAPLE LAKE BEAUTY!

Lovely chalet style cottage 3BR/3pc, open concept living area looking out through lots of windows to panoramic views of the lake. Sunny south exposure.

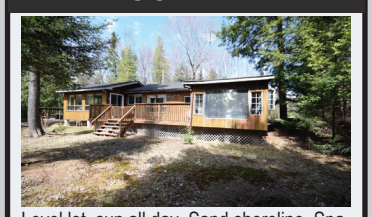
$309,000

IMMACULATE BRICK HOME

Walking distance to Wilberforce & lakes. Manicured level grounds, 3BR home w/att dbl garage, paved drive, clean dry bsmt w/recroom, spacious, bright & beautiful home.

$274,900

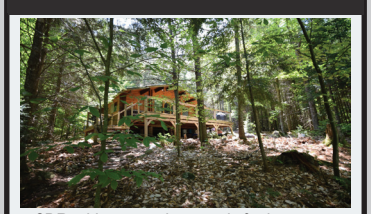
LOON LAKE



Level lot, sun all day. Sand shoreline. Spacious 4 season 3BR, 4pc cottage. Spacious. Screen porch. Close to Haliburton.

$269,900

ISLAND COTTAGING - REDSTONE LAKE



2BR with so much warmth & character. Very well maintained,
large deck, upgrades, fantastic shoreline & super island community.

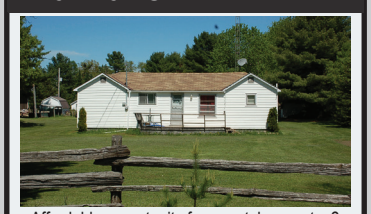
$247,500

JUST STEPS AWAY

from Outlet Bay & a sand beach. 3 bedrm cottage getaway with deeded access nearby. Affordable first cottage!

$149,000

STEPS TO MAPLE LAKE



Affordable opportunity for a rental property. 2 cottages on level lot near sand beach. 1 cott is winterized. Use one, rent one. Drilled well, septic. Great value.

$145,000

FIRST HOME BUYERS!

Tidy 2 Bedrm home in Tory Hill with large yard & double att. garage w/breezeway. Great investment!

$119,000

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LITTLE REDSTONE LAKE

Large family home/cottage. Over 4000 sf living space on 3 levels. Soaring stone centre fp, lg recroom, family kitchen w/pizza oven, huge master BR w/private balcony & corner jet tub. New deck & balconies. Private 3+ ac lot & 190' frtg. A must see!

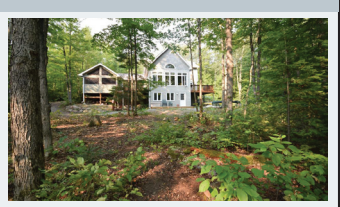
$799,600

REDSTONE LAKE

Spacious open concept cottage or home. Unique man-made coral fireplace. High quality custom kitchen. Cozy lower level family room with walkout. Dbl det garage. Big lake view.

$797,000

LITTLE GLAMOR LAKE



Spacious turn-key 4 season property. Peaceful & private, 216 ft frontage. S/W exposure. Over 3000sf finished, double garage, quality finishings & features. Must see!

$599,900